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"National Small Business Week to be theme of Women's Business Center, Citibank and Chevron Luncheon Mixer"

Bakersfield – May 20-26 is the annual Small Business Administration's (SBA) celebration of the National Small Business Week. To mark this year's celebration, The SBA funded Women's Business Center is joining with Corporate Sponsors Citibank and Chevron to host a Luncheon Mixer on Thursday, May 24, at the Kern County campus of La Verne University. The two-hour event will begin at 11:30 am.

"The event is designed to provide information about the resources that are available to help the Small Business Community of Kern County", stated David Ryal, Program Director of the Women's Business Center. "We hear how important small business is to our local and national economy and job creation", he said. "This event highlights how the SBA and large corporations can and do support small businesses". Ryal added.

Along with a light lunch being provided, there will be networking opportunities and resource information for the business community being provided by the SBA, the Women's Business Center, the University of La Verne's College of Business and Public Management, Citibank and other organizations.

The University of La Verne is located at 1201 '24th' Street – suite D200 in Bakersfield. (Parking is available in the 'M' Street lot.) The Luncheon Mixer is free. Reservations are recommended. For more information or reservations contact the Women's Business Center at 1-877-831-9377 or email info@mcscorp.org.

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